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Please amend the Claims as follows:

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- 1 1. (Currently Amended) For use in a system having multiple processors in a  
2 processing node coupled to a memory, a method, comprising:  
3 a.) receiving multiple requests for data from the multiple processors;  
4 b.) if ones of the multiple requests are requesting the same data, creating  
5 a respective linked list in the processing node to record the ones of the multiple  
6 requests according to order of receipt, the linked list being created without regard  
7 to types of the requests; and  
8 c.) issuing an oldest one of the requests recorded by each linked list from  
9 the processing node to the memory and;  
10 d.) receiving from the memory requests that are issued to the multiple  
11 processors requesting return of data to the memory, and if a request from  
12 memory is requesting the same data as requests recorded within a linked list,  
13 adding the memory request to the linked list.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Cancelled)

- 1 4. (Original) The method of Claim 1, and further including:  
2 receiving requested data from the memory;  
3 if the received data was requested by requests recorded in a linked list,  
4 providing the received data to a processor that issued a predetermined one of  
5 the requests included in the linked list;  
6 removing the predetermined request from the linked list; and  
7 processing all requests remaining in the linked list.

- 1 5. (Original) The method of Claim 4, wherein the predetermined request is the  
2 oldest-pending request in the linked list.